

ROAD DENOUNCED BY MANY PASTORS

Rails Spread, Causing Wreck
of Merchants' Limited, Ac-
cording to Coroner, at
Scene of Accident.

INVESTIGATIONS ORDERED

Interstate Commerce Commis-
sion Sends Inspectors to Be-
gin Probe, in Which the
State Officials May
Participate.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)
South Norwalk, Conn., Nov. 17.—
From every pulpit in the town of Nor-
walk, nearly a score in number, pro-
test was made this morning by the
pastors against the seeming negligence
of the management of the New York,
New Haven & Hartford Railroad,
which has, according to the ministers,
resulted in the series of frightful ac-
cidents and near accidents on the road
within the last year.

The boards of trade of Norwalk and
South Norwalk would act in conjunc-
tion with the churches in the move-
ment of protest, it was announced, and
that arrangements had already been
made to hold a great meeting of pro-
test against the seeming negligence in
the Norwalk armory on Wednesday
evening.

The ministers urged that all of their
members turn out to the meeting and
help in the movement. A prominent
member of the New Norwalk Clericus,
which is back of the movement, said
the present method of running the
railroad was a crime, and that the
mass meeting would draw up resolu-
tions of protest and condemnation,
which would be submitted to the road
and to the state officials.

The Rev. J. B. Werner was at the
scene of last night's wreck at Green's
Farms soon after it occurred, and said
it was the handiwork of God that at
least two score persons were not killed
outright through the fault of the road
in maintaining a defective switch.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)
Bridgeport, Conn., Nov. 17.—Accord-
ing to Coroner Phalen, who had charge
of the Westport Express wreck investi-
gation, the accident that befell the Mer-
chants' Limited near Green's Farms,
in which several passengers were in-
jured, was due to the spreading of the
rails. He said if called by the authori-
ties to testify he would gladly inform
them of that fact.

The wreck was the third in this
neighborhood. Last year an express
went off the tracks at a crossover at
Bridgeport. The accident at Westport
five weeks ago occurred in the same
manner. The wreck on Saturday was
only three miles from the scene of the
Westport accident.

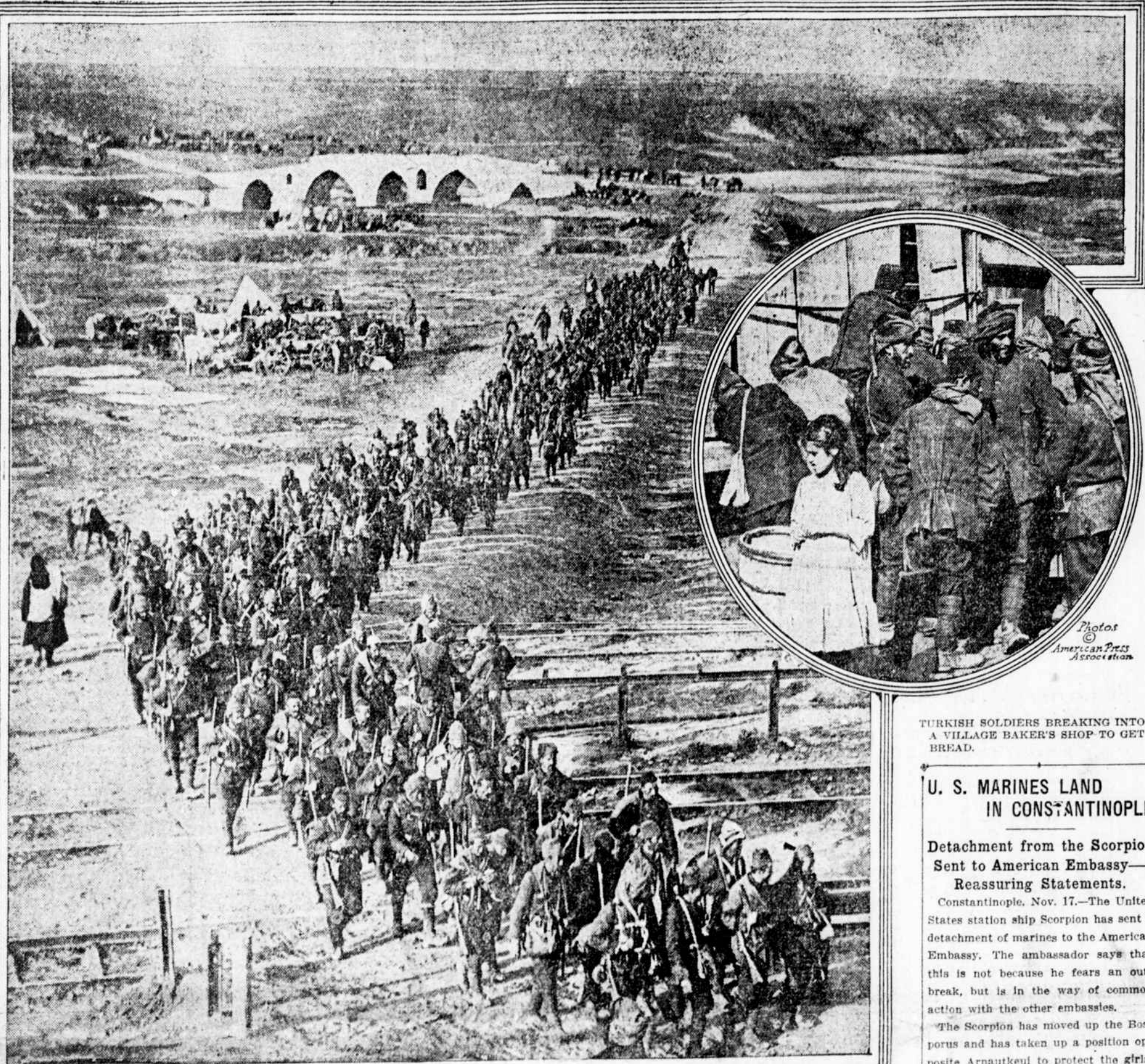
On learning of the smash-up, and
fearing some of the passengers had
been killed, Coroner Phalen hurried to
the scene. He carefully examined the
track, and said the rails had spread on
Track 3, on which the train was run-
ning.

The train had not taken a crossover,
as was at first believed, but was run-
ning straight away, and left the track
just as it passed a crossover. The
spiking was pulled out and the track
was torn away for from 200 to 300 feet.

It is understood that the Connecticut
Public Utilities Commission will visit
the scene of the accident to-morrow
and will make a thorough investiga-
tion. If they find that the railroad
officials were responsible for the ac-
cident the matter will be put up to a

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TURKEY'S DEFEATED ARMY RETREATING FROM TCHORLU TO TCHATALDJA.



FIRST PHOTOGRAPHS OF NAZIM PACHA'S BEATEN TROOPS AFTER THE BULGARIAN VICTORIES.

RABBIT HUNT NETS \$133

Jersey Men Find Money in Hole
Where Bunny Hid.

Great Notch, N. J., Nov. 17.—A rab-
bit hunt on the outskirts of this village
was brought to an unexpected ending
yesterday afternoon at the base of an
old apple tree into which the rabbit
had sought shelter.

The hunters, John Lyons and Robert
Dodd, of Upper Montclair, had fired
two shots at the little animal, and as
the smoke cleared away saw their prize
run into the hollow of the tree. As the
hunters were preparing to smoke the
rabbit out they discovered in the tree
hollow a much worn pocketbook. It
contained one \$100 bill, five twos, three
fives and eight one-dollar bills, all in
fair condition.

The rabbit hunting was immediately
stopped. There was nothing to show to
whom the money belonged, and the
supposition is that it had been hidden
by a thief.

HUNTER KILLS HIS GUIDE

Dying Maine Man Absolves
Slayer, but State Will Act.

Skowhegan, Me., Nov. 17.—Sheriff
John A. Moores received to-day the re-
port of a coroner's jury that Warren
Holden, of Jackman, was shot and
killed yesterday at Sandy Bay, near the
Canadian line, by William Wilding, of
Indianapolis, Ind. Holden, who was a
guide for Wilding on a hunting trip,
was mistaken for a deer.

It was reported to the Sheriff that
Holden signed an explanation before he
died absolving Wilding from blame
for the shooting. A deputy sheriff will
leave here for Jackman to-morrow to
serve a warrant on Wilding. Holden
had been a guide for twenty years. He
was forty years old and leaves a small
son.

U. S. WIRELESS IN PEKING

Radio Station at Legation Com-
municates with Warships.

Washington, Nov. 17.—In the event
of future Chinese disturbances the
American Legation at Peking will not
be handicapped in dealing with the
situation by lack of communication with
the Asiatic fleet as it was during
the Boxer uprising. Communication be-
tween Peking and the outside world
has now been assured through the es-
tablishment of a radio station at the
American Legation, operated by mar-
ines.

Successful communication has been
established between the legation at
Peking and the naval ships at Shang-
hai, a distance overland of some six
hundred miles, as well as the ships at
Chi-Fu and Tsing-Tau.

WRONG MAN HANGED?

Officials Not Sure

Georgia Prison Had Two Leon-
ard Lewises—One a Burglar
and the Other a Murderer.

NEGROES LOOKED ALIKE

Convict Who Survived Swears
He's the Burglar, and Courts
Will Try to Determine if
He's Telling Truth.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)
Atlanta, Nov. 17.—Was Leonard
Lewis, sentenced to four years on the
state farm for burglary, hanged last
Friday at Douglasville, Ga., by mis-
take for Leonard Lewis, who was sen-
tenced to be executed for murder?

That question is worrying the state
prison officials, the judge who ordered
the execution and the Sheriff who tied
the noose and swung the trap.

If the wrong man was hanged the
mistake was due to the fact that two
negro convicts from out of town
counties, both named Leonard Lewis
and both much alike in personal ap-
pearance, were confined in Atlanta jail
for safe keeping prior to execution of
sentence.

One Leonard Lewis was from Coweta
County, under sentence for burglary.
The other Leonard Lewis was from
Douglas County, under sentence of
death for murder. Last Friday a
Leonard Lewis was taken from the
Atlanta jail to Douglasville and there
hanged.

Soon after the hanging rumors be-
came current that the wrong Leonard
Lewis had been hanged, and that the
Leonard Lewis who should have died
on the gallows was serving the four
years' sentence for burglary imposed
on the Leonard Lewis who was exe-
cuted. Various persons are so insistent
that a ghastly mistake has been made
that Judge L. S. Roan, of the Criminal
Branch of the Fulton County Superior
Court, has decided to order a thorough
investigation to decide which Leonard
Lewis was hanged.

Just how a decision is to be reached
does not appear. The living Leonard
Lewis naturally swears he is the Leon-
ard Lewis sentenced for burglary, while
the other Leonard Lewis has been
hanged and his body turned over to a
medical college, so he can make no
statement for himself.

The state prison officials, who are in-
volved deny that there has been a mis-
take. They say the right Leonard
Lewis was hanged, but admit the diffi-
culty of proving the assertion.

PALISADES DEATH HER

FATE ON HOME VISIT

Crushed Body of Widow Who
Went on Visit a Week Ago
Found at Cliff's Base.

SAW HER WADING, SAYS BOY

Authorities to Investigate, but
Believe Woman Walked Off
Top of Crag—Had De-
fective Vision.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)
Hackensack, N. J., Nov. 17.—While
climbing up the side of the Palisades
at Coytesville yesterday afternoon W.
E. Foster, of No. 141 East 44th street,
New York, who said he was employed
by McKim, Mead & White, of that
city, happened to catch sight of a hand
of a human being that hung over the
side of a bowlder about a hundred feet
below the top of the cliff. Foster, who
was accompanied by a friend, was
using a wooden stairway that leads zig-
zag from the river to the top of the
Palisades, and as the hand was fully
sixty feet from the stairs and in a small
ravine, it was impossible to tell
whether or not it was the hand of a
man or woman.

Foster hurried to the top of the Palis-
ades, gave an alarm and then climbed
down two steep ledges and slid down
to where he had seen the hand. To his
astonishment he found the body of a
woman, who, from appearances, had
been dead several days. There were
two deep gashes on the side of the
head.

The New Yorker then returned to the
cliff and had word sent to the Fort Lee
police and to County Physician S. E.
Armstrong, who ordered an undertaker,
James McNally, to get the body. The
undertaker said it was getting dark
and he didn't purpose taking any
chance of killing himself or his assis-
tants by lowering a basket over the
Palisades and sending men below to
put the body into it.

Consequently, that task remained
until this afternoon. County Physician
Armstrong, Under Sheriff Robert N.
Heath, Councilman Samuel J. Coker,
Assessor Edward Cavanagh and Mc-
Nally, the undertaker, carefully
climbed down the Palisades. Then
men above lowered a basket, using
strong ropes, and the body was hoisted.

The authorities made a careful sur-
vey of the surroundings, and decided
that the woman had either been thrust

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SMOOTH SEA FOR WILSON

President-Elect Walks Deck,
Reads and Takes Long Nap.

On board the steamship Bermudian,
at sea, Nov. 17 (by wireless via Sag-
aponack, N. Y.).—President-elect Wil-
son spent a quiet Sunday on the
steamer to-day nearing the Ber-
mudas.

In the morning he was up early and
walked the deck for a long while. Dur-
ing the afternoon he read in the ship's
library and took a long nap in his
cabin.

The weather continues fair and the
sea smooth. The Bermudian is ex-
pected to arrive at Hamilton to-mor-
row, and Governor Wilson will prob-
ably go directly to his cottage at Salt
Kettle, just across the bay from Ham-
ilton.

\$50 HAT FOR 25 CENTS

Rummage Sale Bargain Costly
for Social Worker.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)
Steubenville, Ohio, Nov. 17.—If Miss
Nannie Green ever attends another
rummage sale she will go bareheaded.

Miss Green, active in charitable and
social work, was one of the promoters
of a rummage sale last night to give
poor folks a chance to buy cast off ar-
ticles cheaply. She served as a clerk
and laid her \$50 hat near a counter
where second hand millinery was being
sold at 25 cents.

An Italian woman picked up the hat
with the query:
"How much?"

"Twenty-five cents," said the hurried
clerk.

NINE SUNDAY LAW ARRESTS

Police Halt Ball Preparations at
Ritz-Carlton.

Nine men who were working in the
ballroom of the Ritz-Carlton last night
getting it ready for an entertainment to
be given there to-night by Mr. and Mrs.
Whitney Warren were arrested for violat-
ing the Sunday law.

Patrolman Lawlor saw the men at work
and told James Reid, of No. 174 East 71st
street, who was in charge, that they would
have to quit. Reid said the men would
continue at work, and that he would lock
the door so that the policemen would be
compelled to break it down to make an
arrest. Lawlor simply put his foot in the
door, so that it could not be closed, blew
his police whistle and in a fifty two other
policemen appeared. Ten of the work-
men escaped through a rear doorway, but
the three policemen marched their nine
prisoners to the East 51st street station,
whence they were sent to the night court.

The prisoners were carpenters and plas-
terers. An extra force will have to be put
to work to-day to get the job finished in
time for the ball to-night.

In the men's night court later Magis-
trate Kernochan paroled until Tuesday
the prisoners in the custody of a lawyer
who appeared for all of them.

TURKISH SOLDIERS BREAKING INTO A VILLAGE BAKER'S SHOP TO GET BREAD.

U. S. MARINES LAND IN CONSTANTINOPLE

Detachment from the Scorpion
Sent to American Embassy—
Reassuring Statements.

Constantinople, Nov. 17.—The United
States station ship Scorpion has sent a
detachment of marines to the American
Embassy. The ambassador says that
this is not because he fears an out-
break, but is in the way of common
action with the other embassies.

The Scorpion has moved up the Bos-
porus and has taken up a position op-
posite Arnautkeul to protect the girls'
school.

The United States is the only great
nation without cruisers or battleships
here. The Scorpion carried eighty mar-
ines.

Certain ambassadors have declared
that there is no danger whatever in
Constantinople. All the embassies,
however, are under guard to-night, but
unofficial residences of foreigners are
without protection. Many of these are
located in the outlying districts,
where, should an outbreak occur, they
would be the first to be attacked. Fur-
thermore, several of the legations are
stoutly walled, while the private resi-
dences generally are not inclosed.

It is the intention of the ambassadors
to avoid creating a panic among their
nationals, and in several cases the mar-
ines have gone to the embassies only
because the embassies are good centres
from which they can circulate, if neces-
sary. American citizens have been of-
fered the hospitality of the British
ships should an outbreak develop.

Several American women in the
Girls' School at Scutari, Asia Minor, re-
main across the Bosphorus, aiding and
encouraging the Turkish and other
families. The Scutari school has been
closed for some days, and it has been
proposed to reopen it, because no
trouble has occurred in Scutari. Sun-
day's battle, however, will probably
put an end to that plan.

Mrs. Rockhill has other American
women daily at the embassy to sew for
the Turkish soldiers. A number of
English and American hospital work-
ers are giving assistance to the cholera
patients.

Major Clyde S. Ford, of the United
States army, who is on leave of ab-
sence, is doing conspicuous surgical
work at the Taskishla barracks.

The Rev. Dr. Caleb S. Gates, presi-
dent of Robert College, has decided
that any of the teachers and their
families who wanted to go aboard the
British ships could do so, but the ma-
jority of the men have decided to re-
main in the college with the students,
who are of all nationalities. Dr. Gates
intends to open the college grounds,
which are protected by high walls, to
any Moslems or non-Moslems who seek
refuge.

The American Ambassador has re-
ceived altogether about \$27,000 from
the American Red Cross and private
American subscriptions. The Ameri-
cans are working in close touch with
the British Red Cross and the Red
Crescent, which have an even larger
fund, but they say all will be needed.

Hoffman Philip, secretary of the
American Embassy, and Major John
R. M. Taylor, military attaché, went to
the front in an automobile early to-
day and watched the battle from the
heights behind the Turkish lines.

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morning. All news stands keep it. 5
cents per copy.—ADV.

BIG BATTLE RAGING; NEGOTIATIONS FOR ARMISTICE FAIL

Nazim Pacha Reports Destruc-
tion of 3 Bulgarian Batteries,
but Refugees Behind His
Lines Break Camp.

HEAVY ARTILLERY DUEL

Turkish Fleet Participates Vig-
orously, Both at Sea of
Marmora and Black Sea
Ends of Tchataldja
Defences.

GUNS HEARD IN STAMBOUL

Moslem Detachment Replaced by
Fresh Troops Several Thou-
sand Strong Held in Re-
serve Near the Otto-
man Capital.

(By Cable to The Tribune.)

London, Nov. 18.—The armistice is
at an end, and the great deciding bat-
tle has begun. The only information
about it comes from Turkish sources,
and is to the effect that the Bulgarians
have suffered heavily in an unsuccess-
ful effort to force the Tchataldja lines.

Nazim Pacha telegraphs that the
Bulgarians began a general attack at
3 o'clock yesterday morning. The
fighting lasted until an hour after sun-
set. The attack was mainly delivered
against the Turkish right and centre,
but it failed, it seems, and three Bul-
garian batteries were destroyed.

In Constantinople there was great
excitement all day throughout the city.
Many of the house-tops were crowded
with people listening anxiously. A
correspondent who procured a convey-
ance and drove out in the direction of
the firing for a distance of twenty
miles fell in with a number of officers
and private soldiers coming from the
locality of the engagement, and on
questioning them ascertained that the
battle began with the opening of a
heavy Bulgarian artillery fire on the
Turkish positions on the heights
around Tchataldja and Hadenkeul.

The Bulgarians were advancing slowly
beyond the Tchataldja hills, but were
being subjected to a heavy fire and
were losing considerably.

Turks Hold Their Position.

The Turkish fourth army corps was
making a determined effort to turn the
enemy's right flank.

The position at midday was that the
Turks were still holding their positions
at Hadenkeul.

The fighting is still going on, and
sounds of a furious artillery duel could
be heard. On going back to Constanti-
nople the correspondent met several
bodies of reinforcements being hurried
to the fighting area, as well as some
bands of volunteers, who with flags
flying bravely were marching to bat-
tle.

This battle will be the decisive
struggle of the war. All that can be
said at present, however, is that the
Turks are evidently making a deter-
mined stand.

According to another story, the Bul-
garians have suffered a serious check
at Tchataldja. Turkish soldiers, it is
stated, have made prisoners eight bat-
talions of Bulgarian troops and also
taken several guns and an enormous
quantity of munitions of war.

News of Victory Confirmed.

The Foreign Minister confirms the
news of victory, without, however,
specifying the exact number of prison-
ers.

The official message, it will be seen,
gives the latest news of the battle,
but does not suggest that the fighting
is not to be renewed to-day.

If Nazim Pacha can for once be re-
lied on, his message proves that Tcha-
taldja deserves its great reputation as
a line defence, but the Bulgarians
probably did not expect to force it at
the first attack.

Further news is eagerly awaited, as
on the result of the battle the terms
on which peace will be made will
largely depend.

"Constantinople awakened this morn-
ing to the rumbling of guns," says a
dispatch from the Turkish capital to
"The Daily Telegraph." "The sound
was feeble and dull, like a distant
storm, but at intervals became distinct
to the people thronging the terraces.

Pera Calm and Indifferent.

"It was possible to tell that the firing
came from behind the hills masking
Tchataldja and Derkos, but whether
the Tchataldja forts were firing on the
advancing Bulgarians or the Turkish
cruisers were bombarding the road
from Derkos to prevent the Bulgarians
from turning their lines could not be
said.

"The extraordinary calmness and in-
difference of the population in Pera are
striking. The streets to-day were
thronged with the usual Sunday
crowds, and the cafes and places of
entertainment did as thriving a busi-
ness as before the war. Reassured by
the presence in the roadstead of the
foreign warships, the only thought,
seemingly, was pleasure.

"As far as the government is con-
cerned, the principal occupation for the
moment is insuring the position of the
Cabinet by the arrest of as many of
the members of the Union and Prog-

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